L. H. J. That there be a Duty of 1^t Stert p Gallon on Rum
Spirits and wine to be Imported in Country Bottoms deducting 20 p Cent for leakage which
Computeing the Importation at 72000 Gallons p
annum besides the 20 p Cent will be.

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NB It is Expected the 5 p Cent & the duty on Rum Spirits and wine will Exceed the above Sums.

In order to Ease those who shall pay the Dutys already mentioned it is proposed that Every Trader who Comes into this Province to purchase Tobacco shall have a Sum paid him by the Naval Officer of the port where he Shall Enter Equal to 3/9 in Bills of Credit p hhd of all the Tobacco he Intends to Export and if upon an Account to be given upon the Oath, or Affirmation if a Quaker of such Trader it shall appear he has received less than in Proportion for the Number of hhds by him Exported the rest to be paid him, if more to return the Overplus, and to the End That these Bills of Credit may be usefull and Advantagious to The Trader he is by law to be enabled to pay for his Cask with them at 6 p Cent or of the Quantity of Tobacco Contained in every Cask whereby it is Conceived The Trader will have Ample Amends made him for paying the Duty in Regard the Bills of Credit he receives in Lieu of that Duty will pay for the Cask which the Trader used to pay for in Sterl money or goods That every Freighter be paid 3/9 in Bills of Credit for every hhd of Tobo he Ships That the Purchasers of the Negroes and Importers of Rum Spirits and wine be repaid the Sterling Duty they shall pay in Bills of Credit at 50 p Cent advance and that there be an Equivalent in Bills of Credit at 50 p Cent advance given to the Support of Schools in Lieu of that 1½ p hhd now Taken away.

That all the Quit Rents and Alienation fines be paid in Bills of Credit at 50 p Cent Advance and that the duty of 20^s Sterl on Negroes which is payable in Bills of Credit be added to the Quit Rents in order to pay the Severall Sums already mentioned and whatever the Neat Ballance shall be Clear of all Charges to be deemed publick money.

And The following Address to the Governor.

To His Excellency Saml Ogle Esqr Governour of Maryland.

The Humble Address of the Lower House of Assembly May it please y^r Ex^{cy}

His Lordship having been pleased to return a Kind and generous Answer to the Joynt Address of both Houses Concerning his Quit Rents and Alienation fines and this House being of Opinion that the said Rents and fines may be Collected so as greatly to Ease the